

## **Year 4 Autumn News**

Welcome to Year 4! We would be like to take this opportunity to give you some important information about the term ahead and to outline the topics the children will be covering.



- **Start/End of the day:** Please remember to keep to the drop off and pick up times. The arrival time for children in Year 4 is 8:40-8:50 and collection time is 15:00-15:10. Thank you for keeping to these times!
- **Curriculum:** Please see the curriculum map for information about specific topics we will be covering this term.
- Multiplication tables: Last year, a statutory times table check was introduced for children in Year 4 to check if children can fluently recall their times tables. This is due to take place in June. The times table check is an on-screen check with 25 times table questions. It would be very useful if children regularly practiced times tables at home to help their fluency.
- Reading: We are introducing a new reading program called Accelerated Reader (AR) in school. The children will complete a reading assessment to find out their reading range and will then select appropriate books to read within their range. Once a child has finished a book, they will complete an online quiz to assess their understanding. These quizzes will be completed in school. The children will not be able to bring their AR reading books home from school but will be given quality reading time in the class. It is important that they continue to read at home and there will be alternative books to take home if needed.
- Reading records: These should continue to be used to record daily reading and should be brought into school daily.
- **Home learning:** The children should be using these learning platforms to support their learning at home. All children will be given a reminder of their logins to take home
  - Mathletics
  - Readiwriter (spelling)
  - Times Table Rockstars
  - Busy Things

In addition the children will be asked to complete a half termly home learning project. However, unlike last year this time we ask for them to be emailed via the class emails rather than brought into school.

- **PE/Games:** We will be having PE on Tuesday and Wednesday. Children are to wear PE kit to school for those days. Jewellery should be removed or, ideally, left at home on PE days.
- **Parent communication**: If you need to contact the class teacher about something non-urgent, please use the class emails below. Please refer to the protocol document for more information.

Class 9: <a href="mailto:class9@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk">class9@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk</a> (Miss Davies)

Class 10: class10@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk (Mrs Tudor)

## Healthy Snacks

The School Tuck shop is currently not open so if children would like a snack at break time they will need to bring one in from home. As a 'Healthy School' we encourage children to bring in healthy snacks such as fruit, vegetables sticks or a cereal bar.

We look forward to a successful year in Year 4.

Best wishes from, Miss Davies and Mrs Tudor

